

ANOVA - Non-Parametric Methods

ANOVA, still

$\{Y_{ti}\}$ independent with $Y_{ti} \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_t, \sigma^2)$ for $t = 1 \dots k$.

Test $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_k$

The usual statistic:

$$F = M_B/M_W = \frac{\sum_t n_t (\bar{Y}_{t.} - \bar{Y}_{..})^2 / (k - 1)}{\sum_t \sum_i (Y_{ti} - \bar{Y}_{t.})^2 / (\sum_t n_t - k)}$$

P-values: (a) Use the $F(k - 1, \sum n_t - k)$ distribution.
(b) Use a permutation test.

Assumptions: (a) Underlying dist'ns are normal with common variance.
(b) Underlying dist'ns are the same.

Non-parametric ANOVA

An alternative approach: the Kruskal-Wallis test.

Rank all of the observations from 1, 2, ..., N.

Let R_{ti} = the rank for observation Y_{ti} .

Let $\bar{R}_t = \sum_i R_{ti}/n_t$ = the average rank for group t.

Null hypothesis, H_0 : the underlying distributions are all the same.

$$E(\bar{R}_t \mid H_0) = \frac{N+1}{2}$$

$$SD(\bar{R}_t \mid H_0) = \sqrt{\frac{(N+1)(N-n_t)}{12 n_t}}$$

Kruskal-Wallis test statistic

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \sum_t \left(\frac{N - n_t}{N} \right) \times \left[\frac{\bar{R}_t - E(\bar{R}_t \mid H_0)}{SD(\bar{R}_t \mid H_0)} \right]^2 \\ &= \dots = \frac{12}{N(N+1)} \sum_t n_t \left[\bar{R}_t - \left(\frac{N+1}{2} \right) \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

Under H_0 , and if the sample sizes are large, $H \sim \chi^2(\text{df} = k - 1)$.

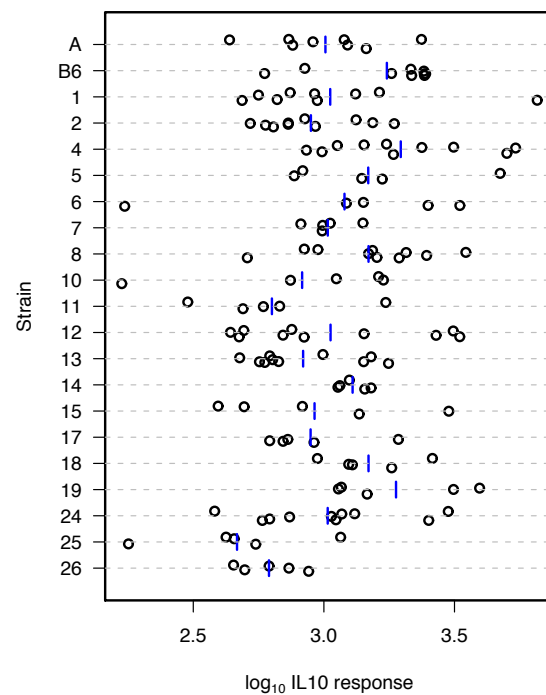
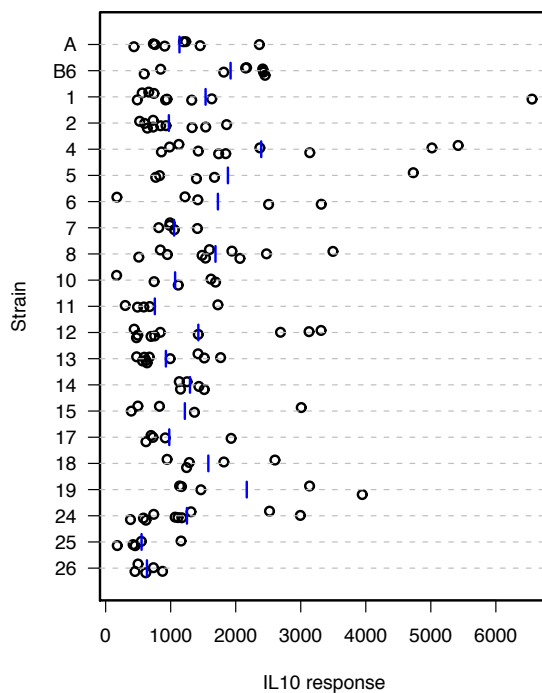
→ Alternatively, we could use a permutation test to estimate a P-value.

The function `kruskal.test()` in R will calculate the statistic.

Note

- In the case of two groups, the Kruskal-Wallis test reduces exactly to the Wilcoxon rank-sum test.
- This is just like how ANOVA with two groups is equivalent to the two-sample t test.

Example



ANOVA Tables

Original scale / 1000:

source	SS	df	MS	F	P-value
between strains	33	20	1.69	1.70	0.042
within strains	124	125	0.99		
total	157	145			

→ permutation P-value = 0.043

\log_{10} scale:

source	SS	df	MS	F	P
between strains	3.35	20	0.167	2.25	0.0036
within strains	9.29	125	0.074		
total	12.63	145			

→ permutation P-value = 0.003

K-W results

The observed Kruskal-Wallis statistic for these data was 41.32.

→ Note that it doesn't matter whether you take logs!

Since there were 21 strains, we can compare this to a χ^2 distribution with 20 degrees of freedom. Thus we obtain the P-value = 0.003.

With a permutation test, I got $\hat{P} = 0.0015$ (on the basis of 10,000 simulations).

Example (continued)

A	B	C	D	rank	avg rank
			56	1	1
59				2	2.5
			59	3	2.5
60				4	4.5
			60	5	4.5
			61	6	6
62				7	7.5
			62	8	7.5
63				9	10.5
	63			10	10.5
			63	11	10.5
			63	12	10.5
64				13	13.5
			64	14	13.5
65				15	15
66				16	16.5
	66			17	16.5
67				18	18.5
	67			19	18.5
				20	21
				21	21
				22	21
71				23	23.5
	71			24	23.5

Example (continued)

A	62	60	63	59						61
	7.5	4.5	10.5	2.5						6.25
B	63	67	71	64	65	66				66
	10.5	18.5	23.5	13.5	15.0	16.5				16.25
C	68	66	71	67	68	68				68
	21.0	16.5	23.5	18.5	21.0	21.0				20.25
D	56	62	60	61	63	64	63	59		61
	1.0	7.5	4.5	6.0	10.5	13.5	10.5	2.5		7.00

Calculation of K-W test statistic

	A	B	C	D	
n_t	4	6	6	8	$N = 24$
\bar{R}_t	6.25	16.25	20.25	7.00	$\frac{N+1}{2} = 12.5$

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \frac{12}{N(N+1)} \sum_t n_t \left[\bar{R}_t - \left(\frac{N+1}{2} \right) \right]^2 \\ &= \frac{12}{24 \times 25} \left\{ 4 \times (6.25 - 12.5)^2 + \dots + 8 \times (7.00 - 12.5)^2 \right\} \\ &= 16.86 \end{aligned}$$

The ties: $T_i = (1\ 2\ 2\ 1\ 2\ 4\ 2\ 1\ 2\ 2\ 3\ 2)$

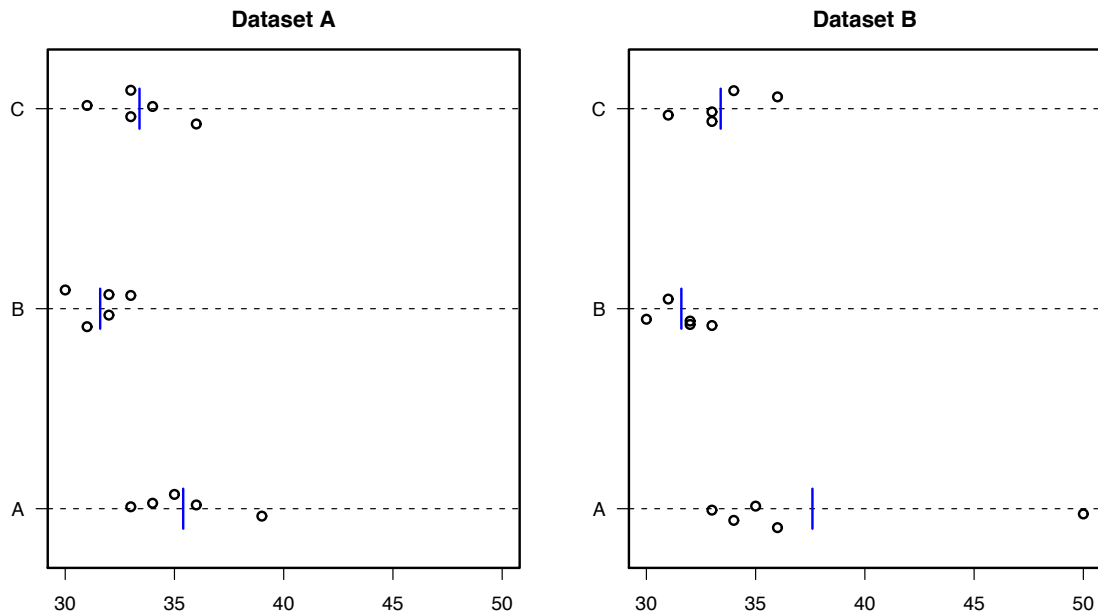
$$D = 1 - \sum_i (T_i^3 - T_i) / (N^3 - N) = \dots = 0.991$$

$$H' = H/D = 16.86 / 0.991 = 17.02 \quad (\text{df} = 3) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{P-value} \approx 0.0007$$

A few points

- Calculation of P-values: (avoiding type I errors)
 - F statistic: F distribution (requires normality)
 - K-W statistic: χ^2 distribution (requires large samples)
 - Either statistic: Permutation tests
- Power: (avoiding type II errors)
 - K-W statistic more resistant to outliers
 - F statistic more powerful in the case of normality
- K-W statistic: don't need to worry about transformations.

A fake example



Results

Dataset	Method	Statistic	nominal P-value	Permu'n P-value
A	ANOVA	5.48	0.020	0.017
	K-W	7.64	0.022	0.012
B	ANOVA	2.64	0.112	0.023
	K-W	7.64	0.022	0.012

Distributions

